



Mercery Lane,
Canterbury.

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Canterbury. Mercery Lane. Here the imagination sees more than the eye, for we are back in Chaucer's time and see the pilgrims to the world-famous shrine of St. Thomas of Canterbury crowding through this lane "the holy blissful martyr for to seek." Here they bought souvenirs of their visit, principally leaden badges with the mitred head of Becket on them. Here at the corner was the famous hostelry "The Checquers of the Hope," built for the pilgrims in 1390, with its great dormitory of the hundred beds unhappily burnt down in 1865.

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